Students adopt local children

By Hollis Wilkins

New Editor

The annual Adopt-A-Child Christmas Party will be held Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 6 p.m. in the Bracken G. Carter Student Union Ballroom.

"Prior to final adoption day, which was Thursday, we had approximately 200 area children adopted by NEO students," said Paulie Iaman, student government president.

All elementary schools along with the Human Services Department have pre-approved the student government with a list of 200 children's names.

For students who would like to adopt a child need to contact Shirley Patterson in room 203 in the Dale Creek Library on their own.

The children range in age from three to 12 years old.

Each student is responsible for contacting their adopted child's parents before the day of Dec. 4 and make arrangements. It is advisable to find the child's home before the day of the party. The child should be given a five to seven dollar gift for their adopted child. Gifts need to be clearly marked with the child's name. As an extra precaution, write the name of the child on the bottom of the package.

Students should bring the gift to the ballroom between 4:30 and 5 p.m. Students will also be responsible for feeding their child either in the cafeteria or at a local restaurant.

"We prefer that students take their child to the cafeteria where they eat our food," Paulie said.

After the party, at 8 p.m., there will be a presentation of the play, "Land of the Dragon," in the Fine Arts Auditorium for the adoptive parent and their children to watch.

The play will last approximately an hour.

Please tell the parents about what time you will be returning with the child.

Test schedule

Three (3), four (4), and five (5) hour classes. also one (1) and two (2) hour classes meeting on the same days as the 3, 4, and 5 hour classes.

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Tests are to be taken at time assigned. Any deviation must have written permission from (1) the instructor, (2) the registrar's division chairman, and (3) Dr. Charles Angier, Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Forms are required for securing written permission available in the Dr. George office located in the Fine Arts Library/Administration Building.

FAMILY GATHERING

All of the costume party will be part of the strands of the NFO Theatre children's production of "Land of the Dragon." The group will perform during the Student Body Government's Children's Christmas Party, Tuesday, in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Waiting on the beast are, from left, Carrie Malske, Allyson Kishman, 23rd council, Michael Whaley, Miami sophomore, 24th council, and Maggie Loman, Tulsa sophomore, 24th council. At back is Keith McCaslin, Owasso freshman. Photo by Tina Bajeran

Skills test scheduled on campus

By Pamela Keeny

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Elementary and agriculture education majors will have the opportunity for the first time to take a pre-professional skills test on Saturday, Jan. 12 in room 203 in the Fine Arts Center from 8 a.m. in the morning. Only those students who have completed 20 more credit hours are eligible for this testing, but those with 15 or more credit hours will be allowed to take the test.

Students must pre-register for the test by contacting Shirley Blaisdell, secretary of the communications and fine arts division, Copan Hall.

"Since both majors are required to pass the test, there are three categories: mathematics, writing, and spelling. The test is designed to assist the students who might have weaknesses in any of the three test areas," said Jack Whalen, chairman of the communications and fine arts division.

"The test is further designed to allow remediation, either short-term or long-term, to occur at NEO rather than at the state examination," Rucker said.

Elementary education sophomores eligible for the test are: Tin Alford, Miami; Jacqueline Becker, Miami; Michael Bro, Fairland; Scott Bryant, Miami; Sheila Caines, Picher; and Betty Cook, Miami.

Other elementary majors are Shirley Edens, Picher; Dawn Ful ler, Miami; Naomi Freeman, Miami; Richard Frizzell, Miami; Terri Frizzell, Miami; and Tracy Hardwick, Grove.

Also eligible include Todra Jones, Tulsa; Bethy Kinney, Fairland; Kerri Kiggins, Miami; Brenda Lewis, commerce; and Donna Miller, Grove.

Other elementary education majors eligible are: Susan Miller, Grove; and Thomas Miller, Grove.

Other eligible are: Eric Rens, Pottsboro; Brene Rech, Lamar; and Daren Slater, Waynes."
Pressure mounts as exams near

Final week is approaching. And now is the time to settle down and pick up the books and start studying for those final important exams. If you plan ahead and get a jump start on reviewing all of the material needed, then there won't be any need for an all-night cram session the night before finals. I know it's really hard to find the time or the motivation to study before it's necessary, but it would be a wise thing to do! If you make the effort to get all the reading and notes taking out of the way, ahead of time, then half the battle is won, and you will be in better shape.

Just think how much better you would feel if you didn't have to stay up till 3:00 a.m. cramming for a 8:00 a.m. final. Remember this proverb: "Early to bed, early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise."

Study is not the only thing necessary for a good test. It's a major part, but it's not the only thing! Getting the right amount of rest and nutrition is also a big part in making the grade. Getting a good nights rest or a short nap will help relax you. Being tense is not a good way to face a test.

If you feel yourself zoning off, close your eyes, take a couple of deep breaths, inhaling through your nose and exhaling slowly and quietly through your mouth. Open your eyes, now some of the tension should be gone.

Once you have the test in front of you, look over it, read all the questions carefully. Start by answering all the questions you do know, then when you finished answering those questions, the harder questions should be easier to answer.

If the test has multiple choice answers, read all of the answers before choosing one. And try to remember, finals are not the end of the world. Just know that you have done your best to succeed on the test should make you feel good even if you didn't make an A. Success is not necessarily mean getting all A's. It's just knowing that you have learned and retained the valuable knowledge you received from your instructors and choosing the best and everything will work out just fine. Good Luck!

Donna Marx

Servicemen need correspondence

The Lake O'Die Cherokees chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, have made available a list of men and women from Ottawa and Delaware counties, serving in military units that are deployed to the Persian Gulf as part of Operation Desert Shield. The LOC-GAR have been sending the letter, card, and packages of food and other useful items to troops from this area.

The men and women who are apart of "Operation Desert Shield" need to know that we, the people back home, are thinking about and supporting them.

So send a letter, a card, or if possible a care package to someone you know that is over there or someone on this list.

This list in constantly updated and revised from information supplied by friends and relatives.

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Club sponsors party
A Christmas party is being given Friday, Dec. 9 at 6 p.m. for the patients left at Willow Crest Hospital during the Christmas season. The Older, Wiser, Learning Students (OWLS) will host the party. Willow Crest is a drug and alcohol abuse rehabilitation center. There are many needs for these patients. Lists of these needs are posted on bulletin boards around campus.
Anyone or any organization may participate in order to this be a concentrated successful effort. "We want to make this special because these youths are often overlooked," said Sue Gleason, OWLS sponsor.
A Christmas tree will later be placed in the Bruce G. Carter Student Union for donations of personal items. Monetary gifts may be given to Evelyn Fox, the financial secretary for the project.
For more information about the project contact Glenn or Evelyn Sprunger.

Musical auditions set
Theatre NEO and the music department are gearing up for auditions set for Dec. 2 and 3 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. for the musical Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. Students interested in auditioning need to sign up for both vocal and dance audition times in the Fine Arts Center Green Room.
Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat features the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber who has composed such Broadway hits as Cats, Jesus Christ Superstar, and Starlight Express.
A prepared vocal piece is preferred but not required for these auditions. All styles of music are acceptable and should show off the qualities of the auditioner. Each auditioner will also be asked to sing a selection or two from the show.
A dance piece is not required though proper attire such as sweat pants or ties, T-shirts, and tennis shoes are recommended.
An accompanist will be provided for those who need one auditioning. Scripts and scores along with costumes of the sound track may be checked out at the Learning Resource Center for those who wish to review the musical.

Making a point
Conciliator Court Spring, portrayed by Danny Darbaugh, Miami sophomore, stresses a point to Dragon Small One, played by Eddie Mobley, Vinita sophomore, and Prosper Harp, portrayed by Eric Dougherty, Fairland sophomore, during a scene from Land of the Dragon.

New safety officer outlines duties
By Jennifer Brake
As of November, NEO now has a new safety officer. The job has always been there only now it has a name. Mike Watson is the new head of the Department of Campus Safety at NEO.
The department head position was newly formed as of November 12 to help increase student awareness of the safety department as well as to improve security on campus.
Prior to coming to NEO, Watson was a policeman in Kansas City, Missouri for 26 years. "Two parts of the very first SWAT team. Back then, we were called tactical officers," although the job duties do not exactly match Watson said.
"I graduated from the Police Academy in 1980 and that's how it began. From there I worked for the police, SWAT team, and later worked for investigations as a detective. Investigated mostly drug and property and fraud cases and occasionally worked with the homicide department," Watson said.
During his stint with the Kansas City Police Department Watson also worked with a group called the Metro Squad. "It was a group made up of a few policemen from each precinct around Kansas City that was occasionally called in to help. We had around 100 personnel setting up raids so you can tell we were pretty effective," said Watson.
Watson wants to bring that same efficiency rate to NEO. "I want to be very precise in everything I do. I want the office to move at a fast pace to help better what we already do," Watson said.
"I don't want students to be afraid to see our office. The one thing I want to stress most is student participation. We are here to keep our doors open for those students who need us," said Watson.
"Over the Thanksgiving holiday between $500 and $2,000 worth of items were reported stolen from NEO. We don't want students to be scared to report this type of theft to us. We'll do everything we can to help them," Watson said.
"I believe in giving students second, third, and even fourth chances. When students come to college it's like putting them in a nest. When they try to fly and do things on their own and don't have enough feathers to fly, they fail," said Watson.

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Judging team concludes fall slate

The livestock judging team captured first place in the competition of cattle, sheep, hogs, and meats at the Grand National Livestock show held recently in San Francisco, Calif.

Kyle Schweinsberg, Aline, sophomore, placed first in the cattle division while placing second in sheep and reasons. Schweinsberg also was awarded second in individual standings from the contest.

Wayne's sophomore Fred Slater, third in cattle and meats, second in hogs and third in the overall standings.

Duren Slater, of Melpara, Kan., took fourth in hogs, sheep, and reasons. This placed him fourth in the overall standings. Sophomore Shane Deering of Savannah, Mo., was eighth in the overall division.

Jamie Orth, sophomore of San Antonio, Texas, made the trip from the south to compete in the event. Orth was awarded the $500 scholarship for his efforts.

The judging team, chosen by the national Livestock Judging team, was won 65 points ahead of the competition in the livestock division.

The team placed second in the sheep and swine, third in cattle, and fourth in reasons. The team's point total gave them high team accolades by 40 points.

"The Livestock contest has been held for almost 50 years, and this marks the ninth time we have won," Douglas said.

Schweinsberg once again took high individual honors winning a $200 scholarship.

Deering was the only other team member to break into the top ten with a tenth place finish.

"We have had a great year, probably the best year ever for our judging team," Douglas said.

The livestock judging team will travel to Denver, Colo., in Jan. 12-13 to open their spring season.

Lightning dangerous

Every lightning causes hundreds of deaths in the United States, although many people never think of its danger.

Richard T. Hays, an automatic engineer with the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California, is an expert on the subject of lightning related disasters and deaths.

Hays gave a public lecture on lightning Tuesday at the University of Tulsa.

"Lightning causes more deaths than tornadoes, hurricanes or typhoons." Hays said.

Lightning also causes numerous power outages, computer system knockouts, cattle and livestock deaths, and millions of dollars in property damage.

"Frankly, which is a marvelous phenomenon, it is dangerous." Hays said.

"Lightning caused four deaths and five injuries in Oklahoma during the past 10 months of 1996," Hays said.

The National Weather Service in Tulsa said the last 25 years, Oklahoma has had 72 lightning-related deaths.

Hays said Florida ranked first in the number of lightning-related deaths.

The lightning rod was first built by Benjamin Franklin in 1753. A lightning rod, properly installed, is still an effective tool to prevent property damage.

A lightning rod works by channeling the energy from a lightning strike into the ground.

"Lightning wants to go to ground, and the rod is not getting in its way," Hays said.

But if it is struck, it may be damaged and the safety it provides may be lost.

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**Wrestlers defeat Cardinals**

By Clark Sherman

Even among the 10 individual matches, the Golden Norse wrestling team beat the Labette Community College 29-19 in Blue Valley, Kan. The Norse defeated the first match in dual matches.

"The longest time we've had a match on our home court and then we wouldn't have a home court here. It's a great accomplishment for our team because College of Albion has a good program," Laughter said.

"We've continued our road trip last night with a dual against second-ranked Garden City, Kan. at Blackwell High School. Our team travel to Dodge City, Kan. Saturday with the dual that started in the Fort Hayes, Kan. on Sunday. Freshman Jimmy Foster of the Norse lost to the top-ranked 285-pounder from Gardner High School in the 10-3 match. Mike Korn of Olathe joined the 9-0 major decision over Chris Barthe in the 123 division to give the Norse a 2-0 lead.

Labette's Sidney Rogers put the Norse on the board with a double overhead pins over Labette's 2-B away.
Ladies continue winning skein

By Todd Nichols

Newark News

Lady Norse coach Warren Griffin’s 15 points and 10 rebounds helped lead the Lady Norse to a 64-56 victory over Coffeyville in the Basketball Tournament at Coffeyville Community College.

The win at Coffeyville is the Lady Norse’s first of the season and moves them to 1-0 in the tournament.

The Lady Norse are scheduled to play at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 25, at Coffeyville Community College.

OUTLET PASS

Lady Norse sophomore guard Debbie Carson (14) looks for an outlet pass as defender Cindy Keller (22) of Allen County Community College puts a hand in her face. Carson scored 17 points as the Lady Norse defeated Allen County 80-54, Nov. 19 in Iola, Kan.

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